Newsletter





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School News

A message from Mrs. Denham

Our year 5 & 6 residential to St George's House at Georgeham, has been a huge success and they have had a fabulous time. I am sure they will have many memories to share with their families over the weekend and we look forward to hearing all about it on their return to school next week.

This residential would not be possible if it wasn't for the time given by our wonderful staff who I am sure are also looking forward to a restful weekend with their families. A very big thank you to them all.

Everyone is welcome to attend our Harvest Festival; the service will be held in St Peter's Church next Wednesday 20^{th} October at 11:00am. This year, we will be collecting for the Freedom Centre. Please send any donation into school with your child/children on Wednesday morning. The centre will be grateful of any of the following:

Tins: chopped tomatoes, baked beans, meat and fish

Tinned meals: beef casserole, chicken curry, pot noodles and pasta pots

(with ring pulls if possible as some people may not have access to a tin opener)

Dried herbs and spices, pepper

Fruit

Cous cous (not rice or pasta)

Sugar, custard and rice pudding

Coffee, cocoa, instant hot chocolate drink, fruit squash (not tea)

Baking ingredients: dried fruit, baking powder, vanilla essence, chocolate

Sauces: brown sauce, tomato sauce and mayonnaise

Non-bio washing powder, washing up liquid, kitchen rolls

Toilet rolls, shower gel, shampoo and hand wash (not bars of soap)

Cereal bars, granola bars and chocolate biscuit bars

Parent Conferences will take place during the week commencing 8th November. We will be arranging for these to be online and will be contacting you next week, via teams, with a time and a date for your meeting

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EDUKIDS

We are thrilled to be able to tell you that both Holywell and Bratton have joined up with Edukids a wonderful charity based in Bideford.

Edukid work with children living in extreme poverty in Uganda. They support students through their education, from primary school all the way up to university and vocational training. Edukid believes that all children have the right to attend school, and that it is a long-term solution to enabling communities to break out of the poverty cycle. Before the Harvest Festival Service Edukids will be introducing themselves to the children in an assembly at school and then the representative will be joining us at the church service.

A picture and write-up by the child that Bratton Fleming are going to support is attached to the same email as this newsletter.

End of the School Day

Now that Covid restrictions are more relaxed, at the end of the school day, please can parents of children in Classes Lyn, Taw and Torridge wait for their child on the bottom playground, rather than the pavement opposite the school. The routine for Class Bray remains the same as present.

Reading Meeting for Reception Parents

Just a reminder that the introduction to Read Write Inc meeting is on Monday 18th October at 7.30pm. Please follow the link on Tapestry to gain access to the Teams meeting.

Year 6 Secondary School Transfer

If you have not yet made an application for secondary transfer, please do so before the $31^{\rm st}$ October. The easiest way to apply is online by visiting www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline

If families don't wish to or can't apply online, please complete a hard copy of the application form which can be obtained from the school office.

Late applications may be disadvantaged, so it is essential to make an on time application to give the best chance of securing a place at one of your preferred schools.

Privacy Notice

For your information, please find below a link to the **Main Privacy Notice** webpage <u>and</u> a link to the **Pupil Privacy Notice**

https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/

https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf

ParentPay

These trips are now available for payments to be made on ParentPay: Gymnastics for Taw Class, Year 5/6 residential. Barnstaple Museum

Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone

Dates for your diary

20th October 2021 22nd October 2021

25th to 29th October 2021

2nd November 2021

9th November 2021 30th November 2021

7th December 2021 8th December 2021

10th December 2021 17th December 2021

 $20^{\rm th}$ December to $3^{\rm rd}$ January 2022

4th January 2022

21st to 25th February 2022

8th April 2022

11th April to 22nd April 2022

25th April 2022 2nd May 2022

30th May to 3rd June 2022

22nd July 2022

Harvest Festival

Non Pupil Day

Half Term

PTA AGM in school at 3.30pm

Tempest Photographer

Class Bray - Production from Boo to a Goose Theatre

Christmas Fayre 2.30 - 4.30pm

Christmas lunch

Carol Service and Nativity Last day of Autumn Term

Christmas Holidays

Children return to school

Half Term

Last Day of Spring Term

Easter Holidays

Children return to school

Bank Holiday Half Term

Last day of Summer Term

🕈 Preloved uniform 👚

Has your child outgrown their uniform? Is it still in good condition? If so, please donate it to our school PTA. If you have any Bratton Fleming logo uniform, you feel you are able to donate please bring it to our school office. Preloved uniform is available to buy from Chantal Shapland (PTA chairperson) from £2 per item and helps to raise money for our school. Please don't hesitate to contact her for any items the PTA may have available.

School Lottery

AGM

The AGM will be held in school on 2^{nd} November 2021 at 3.30pm. Everyone welcome

Many thanks for your support.

Community News

Bratton Fleming Pre-School

This week, the children at Pre-School have been looking at pumpkins. They have decorated pumpkins to take home, made pumpkin faces, and drawn some brilliant pictures, too! They have learnt about the life cycle of a pumpkin, and we have talked about maybe growing our own seeds here at Pre-School. The children have really enjoyed listening to the book Pumpkin Soup which has led to a lot of discussion about sharing and being kind to our friends. We have noticed a change in the weather and have spotted a lot of planes in the sky - or rocket ships?! We are now looking forward to a dress up week next week!

Bratton Fleming Market

To be held in Bratton Fleming Village Hall on Saturday 23^{rd} October, 27^{th} November and 18^{th} December, from 9:00am to 12 noon.

Barnstaple Library

Are delighted to announce a new date for the previously postponed event with award-winning author Michael Morpurgo.

The event will now take place on Saturday 13th November at 2pm at The Stanbury Hall, Petroc. Tickets are £6.50 per person and can be booked via the Eventbrite link below.

Michael Morpurgo Tickets, Sat, Nov 13, 2021 at 2:00 PM | Eventbrite

Christmas Village North Devon is a new event in Barnstaple for this Christmas. They will be hosting a real-ice rink, Santa's grotto and Christmas shopping village from 19th November until 2nd January 2022.